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SUBJ: ANGOLA IN UN

AT REQUEST OF PORTUGUESE CHARGE DA COSTA LOBO,
UN HAS CIRCULATED AS GA DOC A/AC.109506 FOLLOWING LETTER
DATED 21 AUG FROM PORTUGUESE FONMIN RUIVO TO THE CHAIRMAN
OF THE COMMITTEE OF 24, CONCERNING THE SITUATION IN ANGOLA:

PORTUGUESE GOVT HAS JUST ADDRESSED LETTERS TO SYG OF UN
AND TO PRESIDENT OF SC INFORMING THEM OF EMERGENCY MEASURES
IT HAS HAD TO TAKE IN VIEW OF SITUATION IN ANGOLA AND
EXPLAINING REASONS AND CONDITIONS NECESSITATING THIS ACTION.
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PORTUGUESE GOVT BELIEVES THAT SINCERITY OF ITS INTENTIONS
IN DECOLONIZATION PROCESS OF NON-SELF-GOVERNING TERRITORIES
STILL UNDER ITS ADMINISTRATION-A SINCERITY SPECIAL COMITE
ITSELF HAS ACKNOWLEDGED--CANNOT BE QUESTIONED. IT ACCORDINGLY
IS CONFIDENT THE EMERGENCY MEASURES TAKEN WILL BE RECOGNIZED
AS HAVING BEEN OCCASIONED BY AN EXTREMELY SERIOUS CRISIS,
ORIGIN OF WHICH CAN IN NO WAY BE ATTRIBUTED TO PORTUGUESE
AUTHORITIES.

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EVERY POSSIBLE EFFORT IS BEING MADE TO AVOID AGGRAVATION

OF THIS CRISIS AND TO GRADUALLY CONTRIBUTE TO ITS RESOLUTION
WITHIN AGREED TIME-SCHEDULE FOR ANGOLA'S ACCESSION TO
INDEPENDENCE.

CONSCIOUS OF MAGNITUDE OF THIS PROBLEM, PORTUGUESE GOVT
APPEALS TO GOODWILL AND UNDERSTANDING OF SPECIAL COMITE,
TO CONTINUE TO LEND IT ITS SUPPORT AND TO ENCOURAGE LIBERATION
MOVEMENTS TO HONOUR THEIR COMMITMENTS.

MARIO RUIVO
MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF PORTUGAL

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